



Docket No.: 1614.1356

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re the Application of:

Kaoru USUI, et al.

Serial No. 10/639,467

Group Art Unit: 3663

Confirmation No. 6110

Filed: August 13, 2003

Examiner: BOLDA, Eric L.

For: OPTICAL AMPLIFYING APPARATUS FOR WAVELENGTH DIVISION MULTIPLEXED  
SIGNALS (as Amended)

**AMENDMENT**

Commissioner for Patents  
PO Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

This is in response to the Office Action mailed December 31, 2009, and having a period for response set to expire on March 31, 2009. A Petition for a two-month extension of time, together with the requisite fee for same, is submitted herewith, thereby extending the period for response to May 31, 2009, which being a Sunday renders this response timely filed on Monday, June 1, 2009.

The following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted. Reconsideration of the claims is respectfully requested.

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